

Vaccine Use Guidelines for Health Departments

Vaccine provided to you by the State Pharmacy is purchased using State and Federal funds. Use of this vaccine must be in accordance with the following policies.

Virginia Vaccines For Children (VVFC):

All VVFC eligible children should receive the vaccine free of charge. See VVFC program eligibility requirements below.

Children under the age of 19 who meet one or more of the following criteria are VVFC vaccine eligible at a Health Department:

- Enrolled in Medicaid, including Medicaid HMOs
- Have no health insurance
- American Indian or Alaskan Native

Non-VVFC Eligible Children:

Patients who are ***NOT VVFC eligible and under the age of 19*** may receive routine vaccines required for school entry free of charge at Health Departments. These vaccines include DTaP, Hib, IPV, MMR, and Varicella. Patients may also receive Hepatitis B vaccine free of charge consistent with the following policy:

Hepatitis B Vaccine should be administered free of charge to all children born on or after January 1, 1994. Hepatitis B vaccines should be provided at no cost to children who entered 6th grade on or after July 1, 2001. In the fall of 2004, this would include all children entering the 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th grades.

Patients who are not VVFC eligible and who do not meet the above criteria for Hepatitis B vaccines should receive Hepatitis B vaccine purchased by the district with cost charged to the patient.

Adult Immunizations (19 years and up) The following routine vaccines should be administered free of charge using stock supplied by the state pharmacy to all adults at a Health Department: **MMR, IPV, Td.**

Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PREVNAR): Prevnar is only available from the State Pharmacy for VVFC eligible children.